

Attorney Docket No. 205428-0006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of CAVILES et al.

Application No. 09/993,977

Filed: November 14, 2001

For: "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
ESTABLISHING A CREDIT CARD
TRANSACTION PROCESSING
MERCHANT ACCOUNT"

Art Unit: 2876

Examiner: Kimberly D. Nguyen

Confirmation No. 7959

Customer Number 1131

RESPONSE TO JULY 14, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 14, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks and arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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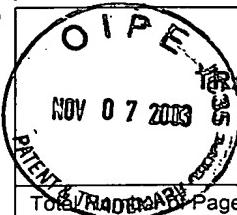
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TRANSMITTAL FORM		Application Number	09/993,977	
		Filing Date	November 14, 2001	
		First Named Inventor	Caviles	
		Art Unit	2876	
		Examiner Name	Kimberly D. Nguyen	
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ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)

- Amendment/Reply
 Before Final
 After Final
 Affidavits/Declarations
 Information Disclosure Statement
 PTO-1449 Form(s)
 Cited References
 Certified Copy of Priority Document
 Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application
 Terminal Disclaimer
 Status Letter

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

Applicant(s) claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.
 Applicant(s) petitions for a one-month extension of time and pay the fee of \$55.00 (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)-(5)).
 Applicant(s) believes that no petition for an extension of time is necessary (37 CFR 1.36(c)); however, applicant(s) hereby petition for sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely.

CLAIMS FEES

- No additional claim fee is required.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Small Entity		Large Entity	
				Rate	Addit. Claim Fee	Rate	Addit. Claim Fee
Total	26	-	27	=0	x 9= \$0	x 18= \$	
Independent	3	-	3	=0	x 43= \$0	x 86= \$	
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Claim				+ 145= \$0		+ 290= \$	

ENCLOSED FEES

<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Claim Fee	\$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension fee for one-month	\$55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement	\$180.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Surcharge for Missing Parts – Declaration	\$130.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer	\$110.00
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED	\$55.00

PAYMENT OF FEES

- A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
 The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-1965.
 The Director is authorized to charge Deposit Account Number 50-1965 in the amount of \$55.00

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

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